

Mineral Resources Limited

An integrated supplier of goods and services to the Resources Sector

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Board and Management





About Mineral Resources Limited

- ASX listed in July, 2006
- Formed through the consolidation of 3 associated, long established and successful operations
- Full integration effected with no separate reporting of results
- PIHA manufacturing and contracting business for pipelines and site infrastructure
- CSI largest specialist Australian contract crushing company
- PMI minerals processing and marketing business



Operational Highlights

- Integrated business operation growing strongly
- Development of 10 year BOO contract for Windimurra Vanadium project on budget and program
- Strong manganese and iron ore sales continuing against background of increased mineral prices
- Safety and performance reputation and client recognition continues to provide business opportunities and growth
- Site operations for recovery of manganese from Peak Hill tenements established
- Existing crushing contract extensions negotiated on two sites extending operations on those sites to 2010.
- 4 drill rigs continuing test drilling on Philippine iron sands tenements to establish the minimum required resource tonnage
- Strong cash flow and profitability across Group









Highlights - Financial

- Continued strong earnings growth
- Half-year NPAT of \$20.06 million; 6 cent interim dividend paid in March, 2008
- Full year 2007/08 forecast NPAT \$40.4 million; forecast in excess of 10 cent final dividend payable in November, 2008
- Positive cash position (net of debt surplus approx \$30 million) with ongoing strong cash generation
- Interest cover 85 times
- Funding availability to meet future anticipated capital requirements 'locked in' with Bank







Operational Review YTD Performance

- Business integration substantially complete
- Sites operating ahead of tonnage targets
- Contracting operations achieving projected profitability
- On target to export 300,000 tonnes of manganese
- On target to export 220,000 tonnes of iron ore
- Two contract extensions for contract crushing sites approved
- Business climate for resources and mineral processing continuing strongly
- Strong growth in project pipeline
- Potential acquisition target identified







Outlook - Market

- Continuing strong global demand for commodities particularly steel making minerals
- 'China story' to remain expansive in the long term; increased iron ore and manganese demand
- Exports through Port Hedland constrained by port infrastructure issues
- 'Credit squeeze' and increased cost pressures creating international market concerns; MIN cash flow and operating structure protecting business outcomes
- Critical labour and management shortages managed with the further introduction of skilled workers from overseas
- Manganese and iron ore prices to remain strong for rest of year
- BOO operations receiving strong support



Outlook - Operational

- Safety and quality performance reputation world class
- Tonnage expansion of existing crushing operations on selected sites
- Progressive award of contracts from project pipeline
- Finalisation of drilling and sampling for iron sands in Philippines in 2008
- Commissioning of Windimurra Vanadium plant in October, 2008
- Commencement of manganese recovery operation from Peak Hill tenements in April, 2008
- Continued export of manganese and iron ore from Port Hedland to meet annual tonnage forecasts for 2008
- Program to secure additional tenement resources within Australia
- MRL is a foundation partner in the Utah Point export wharf development at Port Hedland providing additional export capacity in 2010 which MIN can access.











Outlook - Corporate

- FY2008 results on target for forecast NPAT of \$40.4 million
- Balance sheet strengthening to support significant additional projects and acquisition initiatives
- Level of debt to increase from expenditure on Windimurra project but supported by 10 year contract revenue
- Dividend payout ratio of 50% confirmed by Board as long term commitment
- Strengthening of management team and implementation of succession planning initiatives





Outlook – Business Strategy Contractor of Choice

- Maintain core business focus on profitability not turnover
- Adding value to clients, adds value to shareholders
- Continuing review of Board, management and operating team composition to 'be the best we can be'.
- Growing profitability and reputation will flow through to improved share price and shareholder strength
- Acquisition of complementary, earnings accretive business operations to expand core business functions
- Implement geographic and commodity diversification strategies across contract and process operations